



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Matsuaki IWASHITA et al.

Application No.: 10/520,406

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For: PROCESSING APPARATUS AND
PROCESSING METHOD

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

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Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

I. INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the non-final Office Action dated March 4, 2009, please amend the above-identified application as set forth below.

Claims 1, 8, 11 and 17-24 are pending in the application. By this Amendment, claim 1 is amended. Claims 21-24 are withdrawn from further consideration.

II. AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS

(There are no amendments to the drawings)

III. AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

(There are no amendments to the specification)